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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION [NRC-2012-0149]

Agency Information Collection Activities: Proposed Collection; Comment Request

AGENCY: Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

ACTION: Notice of pending U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission action to submit an information collection request to the Office of Management and Budget and solicitation of public comment.

SUMMARY: The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) invites public comment about our intention to request the Office of Management and Budget's (OMB) approval for renewal of an existing information collection that is summarized below. We are required to publish this notice in the <u>Federal Register</u> under the provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35).

Information pertaining to the requirement to be submitted:

- 1. The title of the information collection: Title 10 of the Code of Federal Regulations (10 CFR) Part 60, "Disposal of High-Level Radioactive Wastes in Geologic Repositories."
- 2. Current OMB approval number: 3150-0127.
- 3. How often the collection is required: The information need only be submitted one time.

- 4. Who is required or asked to report: State or Indian tribes, or their representatives, requesting consultation with the NRC staff regarding review of a potential high-level radioactive waste geologic repository site, or wishing to participate in a license application review for a potential geologic repository (other than a potential geologic repository site at Yucca Mountain, Nevada, which is regulated under 10 CFR Part 63.
- 5. The number of annual respondents: 1; however, none are expected in the next 3 years.
- 6. The number of hours needed annually to complete the requirement or request: 1; however, none are expected in the next 3 years.
- 7. Abstract: Part 60 of 10 CFR requires States and Indian tribes to submit certain information to the NRC if they request consultation with the NRC staff concerning the review of a potential repository site, or wish to participate in a license application review for a potential repository (other than the Yucca Mountain, Nevada site, which is regulated under 10 CFR Part 63). Representatives of States or Indian tribes must submit a statement of their authority to act in such a representative capacity. The information submitted by the States and Indian tribes is used by the Director of the Office of Nuclear Material Safety and Safeguards as a basis for decisions about the commitment of NRC staff resources to the consultation and participation efforts. The NRC anticipates conducting a public rulemaking to revise portions of 10 CFR Part 60 in the near future (i.e., within the next 5 years). If, as part of this rulemaking, revisions are made affecting the information collection requirements, the NRC will follow OMB requirements for obtaining approval for any revised information collection requirements. [Note: All of the information collection requirements pertaining to Yucca Mountain were included in 10 CFR Part 63, and were approved by OMB under control number 3150-0199. The Yucca Mountain site is regulated under 10 CFR Part 63 (66 FR 55792, November 2, 2001).]

Submit, by [insert date 60 days after publication in the <u>Federal Register</u>], comments that address the following questions:

- 1. Is the proposed collection of information necessary for the NRC to properly perform its functions? Does the information have practical utility?
- 2. Is the burden estimate accurate?
- 3. Is there a way to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected?
- 4. How can the burden of the information collection be minimized, including the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology?

The public may examine and have copied, for a fee, publicly available documents, including the draft supporting statement, at the NRC's Public Document Room, Room O-1F21, One White Flint North, 11555 Rockville Pike, Rockville, Maryland. The OMB clearance requests are available on the NRC's Web site: http://www.nrc.gov/public-involve/doc-comment/omb/.

The document will be available on the NRC's Web site for 60 days after the signature date of this notice. Comments submitted in writing or in electronic form will be made available for public inspection. Because your comments will not be edited to remove any identifying or contact information, the NRC cautions you against including any information in your submission that you do not want to be publicly disclosed. Comments submitted should reference Docket No. NRC-2012-0149. You may submit your comments by any of the following methods.

Electronic comments: Go to http://www.regulations.gov and search for Docket No. NRC-2012-0149. Mail comments to NRC Clearance Officer, Tremaine Donnell (T-5 F53), U.S. Nuclear

Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20555-0001. Questions about the information collection requirements may be directed to the NRC Clearance Officer, Tremaine Donnell (T-5 F53), U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20555-0001, by telephone at 301-415-6258, or by email to INFOCOLLECTS.Resource@NRC.GOV.

Dated at Rockville, Maryland, this 26th day of July, 2012.

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

Tremaine Donnell, NRC Clearance Officer, Office of Information Service.

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